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November 6, 2003

To: Inmate Josh Anderson
From: Sheriff Larry E. Kopko

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Larry E. Kopko".

Subj: Your letter

This is to advise you that I am in receipt of your letter sent via the U.S. Mail to advise me that you are having problems with staff and that you are going to contact a whole myriad of agencies to investigate this office .

If you wish to initiate an investigation against this institution, that is your right to do, and I assure you that we will cooperate fully with any investigation that might occur.

I have directed the Correctional Supervisor, Captain Douglas A. Irvine and Deputy Correctional Supervisor Lieutenant Randy Ickert to initiate an investigation into the allegations that you have made. They will be contacting you for the names of the Correctional Officers that you are accusing since you failed to provide their names. I hope that you will cooperate with them fully on this investigation.

Since you feel that you are not being treated equally at this facility, I am willing to try to make arrangements with another institution to house you until your trial date arrives, if that is something you might be interested in. Let me know your decision on this.

Thank you for your letter. I hope to bring this situation to resolve in the very near future.

EXHIBIT - A

Avenali, Kate

From: Hepinger, Tim
Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2002 1:37 PM
To: Avenali, Kate; Burns, Robert; Ickert, Randy
Subject: JOSH ANDERSON

I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON WITH JOSH WANTING TO TALK TO KATIE, BUT COULD THE THREE OF YOU GET ON THE SAME PAGE OF MUSIC AND LET HIM KNOW. HE IS GETTING DIFFERENT STORIES AND WOULD LIKE ONE ANSWER, WHATEVER IS DECIDED.

THANKS,
HEPINGER

EXHIBIT - C

FORM J-16

**WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE / COUNTY JAIL
INMATE GRIEVANCE REPORT FORM**

TO BE COMPLETED BY AN INMATE INCARCERATED IN THE COUNTY JAIL TO SUBMIT A COMPLAINT CONCERNING THE CARE, CUSTODY, OR CONTROL PROCEDURES ADMINISTERED BY THE JAIL. A COPY OF THE JAIL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING INMATE COMPLAINTS IS FILED IN EACH GUARD STATION AND IS AVAILABLE FOR YOUR EXAMINATION UPON REQUEST.

COMPLAINTS CONCERNING SENTENCES, PAROLE AND PROBATION OR PROCEDURES OF OTHER CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES MUST BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THAT AGENCY.

Josh Anders

Name of Complainant

Max 134

Block and Cell No.

Officer Katie L. Averani

Name of Employee if Complaint pertains to an Individual

1. Describe your complaint, state the facts including date, time, and place of occurrence. Use additional paper if necessary. List any witnesses and how and where they can be contacted.

On 12-29-03 officer Averani came to get me for a visit. After getting my hand cuffs and Belt on she made the Belt as tight as she could. Then after going thru the (6) S. & door she started me and tightened my hand cuffs so they would go no tighter.

Witnesses - Officer Breon and Sgt. Burns.

2. Describe the specific solution or remedy desired by you.

Just showing the type of things she does to get me upset!

3-2-04

Date of this Complaint

[Signature]

Signature of Complainant

DISPOSITION OF THIS COMPLAINT WILL BE NOTED ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM AND A COPY WILL BE RETURNED TO THE INMATE.

EXHIBIT-D1

DISPOSITION

- (X) EXONERATED – the alleged conduct occurred but it was lawful and proper;
() UNFOUNDED – the complaint was false or unfounded;
() NON SUSTAINED – there was insignificant evidence to prove or disprove the allegation;
() SUSTAINED – the allegation was supported by proper and sufficient evidence;

EXPLANATION:

The handcuffs and belt were applied tight as verified by Sgt. Burns when he checked and loosened them. But they were not cutting off your blood flow to your hands. Officers observed you pushing down on the cuffs leaving marks on your wrists. Because of the existing problems you have with Officer Avenali, she did apply the restraints tight as to make sure you could not manipulate or free your hands from the cuffs. Officers are instructed to take extra security precautions when dealing with you and that is what she did.

ACTION TAKEN OR TO BE TAKEN:

Officer Avenali was counseled by Sgt. Burns the same night this occurred and was instructed on how to apply restraints safely and effectively with out them being overly tight.

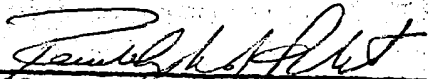

Signature of Correctional Supervisor or Sheriff

EXHIBIT - D2

3/9/04
Date